

BIOGRAPHY

Arthur Gignilliat Porcher III is an American systems analyst, writer, and independent historian whose life reflects a convergence of personal resilience, family legacy, and institutional critique. His work spans healthcare administration, addiction recovery, financial systems, digital sovereignty, and regional cultural history, all grounded in lived experience and methodical introspection.

Early Life and Background

Porcher was born at the U.S. Army Infirmary at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and christened two months later at Pohick Episcopal Church in Falls Church, where his godparents were Fuller Earl Callaway III and Naomi Webb Green.

He was raised on Florida's Atlantic coast during the height of the Space Race. His father, a West Point engineer, helped establish ground operations at NASA's Kennedy Space Center. His mother, a ballet-trained social figure in Brevard County, was closely connected to several of the original Mercury astronauts. Their home off South Patrick Drive hosted gatherings that placed him in proximity to astronauts, media figures, military and civilian engineers throughout the 1960s.

From an early age, Porcher witnessed missile and shuttle launches from press areas and local beaches, forming an enduring connection between technological ambition and personal orientation. An early sailing experience, at age twelve, was aboard a 36-foot sloop with astronaut Wally Schirra.

Education and Professional Career

Porcher holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Management, 1977) and a B.A. in Psychology (1991) from the University of Central Florida. His professional career is as varied as it is structured. He served as branch manager at a pre-deregulation savings and loan, assistant general manager of a top-selling Indian River citrus operation, president at a large construction firm, and business director for multi-location healthcare practices.

He also worked extensively in nonprofit rehabilitation, including as controller for a Seattle-based substance abuse facility and as a counselor

at an adolescent treatment center in Orlando. He co-authored *Helping Chronically Addicted Adolescents*, published by McGraw-Hill in 1993.

His technical credentials include systems consulting, database and accounting infrastructure, and early adoption of integrated computer tools in healthcare, human services, and finance. He is a licensed single-engine pilot and experienced offshore sailor, having navigated extensively through the Bahamas, Polynesia, and the Virgin Islands.

Writing and Research

Porcher has developed personal archives documenting the Porcher family's Huguenot roots, their 19th-century role in Florida's citrus expansion, and their mid-20th century influence during the aerospace era. These records serve as both source material and ethical anchor for his writing.

He also published essays on Substack (<https://substack.com/@rocketphewl>), where he reflected on historical cycles, civic psychology, and institutional behavior. After decades of research, he authored *Dear Family*, a privately distributed multi-generational narrative tracing forty-four generations of Porcher ancestry, blending genealogical record with historical reflection. His submission to the Huguenot Society of South Carolina includes a detailed report identifying seventeen direct Huguenot ancestors from France and Switzerland, underscoring the family's foundational presence in early colonial South Carolina.

His current projects include *The Compass Within*, a historical and philosophical reflection on generational cycles and personal maturity, and *The Rogue Government Playbook*, a structural critique of institutional manipulation, particularly the legacy and consequences of the U.S. War on Drugs and Operation GLADIO.

Creative, Technical, and Horticultural Work

Porcher pursued a wide range of hands-on disciplines in parallel with his professional work. As an amateur artist, he completed a series of oil paintings using a self-built hardwood floor easel and hand-selected professional materials. His interest in self-sufficiency and design extended to gardening, where he constructed a functioning double-tower aeroponic

garden and multiple raised-bed garden systems for private food production.

His experience with computers began in 1983 with an Apple IIe and modem access. He founded Third Wave Corporation in 1984, serving as a value-added reseller and consultant in the Pacific Northwest. The firm automated accounting systems and reporting structures for legal and healthcare practices before commercial networking became widespread. His resume documents extensive experience with software and infrastructure, including database design, accounting platform conversion, and client-specific reporting logic across a wide range of early and mid-1990s systems.

Personal Philosophy

Porcher identified with Generation Jones, the cohort born between the mid-1950s and mid-1960s. He saw it not as a trend but as a cultural marker shaped by institutional mistrust, transitional values, and early interaction with emerging technologies. The generational frame clarified his alignment with individual responsibility over group identity and his focus on tools of independence rather than symbols of status.

His worldview centers on accountability, decentralization, and intergenerational trust. He sees Bitcoin as a tool for moral clarity and structural independence, not as speculation but as a reserve of continuity. He emphasizes moral realism over institutional loyalty, choosing legacy not as performance but as function.

His support for child and adolescent development, free from dogma but rooted in self-awareness and discipline, reflects both his professional background and personal transformation. He views personal sovereignty and coherent storytelling as essential to long-term cultural resilience.

Though raised in a context of religious formality, he later chose confirmation at Saint Michael's Episcopal Church community in Orlando in 1995, aligning more with his preference for an independent moral structure over institutional loyalty.

Legacy

Porcher is compiling written, digital, and visual material for open release, with the intent of creating a usable inheritance for future generations. His work does not merely preserve family history; it recasts it as a toolkit for orientation, stewardship, and resistance.

Public genealogy profiles associated with his work are maintained under FamilySearch ID LT61-95B, WikiTree ID Porcher-65, and MyHeritage ID 698389221.

Personality Profile

INTP Trait

Evidence from Your Record

Introverted Thinking (Ti)

Highly structured internal logic, deeply skeptical of institutions unless vetted. Creates systems, not merely arguments.

Extraverted Intuition (Ne)

Patterns across time and history. Sees symbolism in tools like Bitcoin. Uses metaphor (compass, navigation, legacy).

Analysis Paralysis / Internal Debate

Confirmed by extended drafting of ethical positions, tension over public representation, and rejection of half-formed ideas.

Curiosity and Reconstruction

Evident in recovery, manuscript development, digital archiving, and multi-domain synthesis (finance, psychology, history).

Emotional Disconnect and Recalibration

Rare but meaningful attempts at reconnection (work with adolescents, letters to family, restrained but ethical mourning).

Aversion to Social Formality

Shown by preference for respectful structure over ceremony, function over sentiment.

Resistance to Dogma

Pursues truth even when uncomfortable, and holds space for others to wake up without being indoctrinated.

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